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VIENNA, AUSTRIA, JUNE 12 (REUTERS)-LEV PRCHALA, A FORMER CZECHOSLOVAK GENERAL AND PRE-WAR MINISTER WHO BECAME A NATURALIZED BRITISH CITIZEN, DIED AFTER A HEART ATTACK YESTERDAY AT FELDBACH, POLICE AT GRAZ SAID TODAY.

PRCHALA, 71, HEADED THE CZECHOSLOVAK NATIONAL COUNCIL IN LONDON DURING WORLD WAR II AND WAS ONE OF THE MOST PROMINENT EXILE LEADERS WHO OPPOSED THE POLICY OF THE LATE PRESIDENT EDWARD BENES.

BEFORE THE WAR, HE WAS A PRIME MINISTER OF THE KARPATHO-UKRAINE UNDER PRESIDENT HACHA. PRCHALA HAD COME TO BAD GLEICHENBERG, A SPA IN STYRIA, FOR A CURE SOME WEEKS AGO.

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HACHA sent him there to get him out of his hair  
Tour lasted only 6 months since Hungary  
occupied Ruthenia in March 1939.

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